

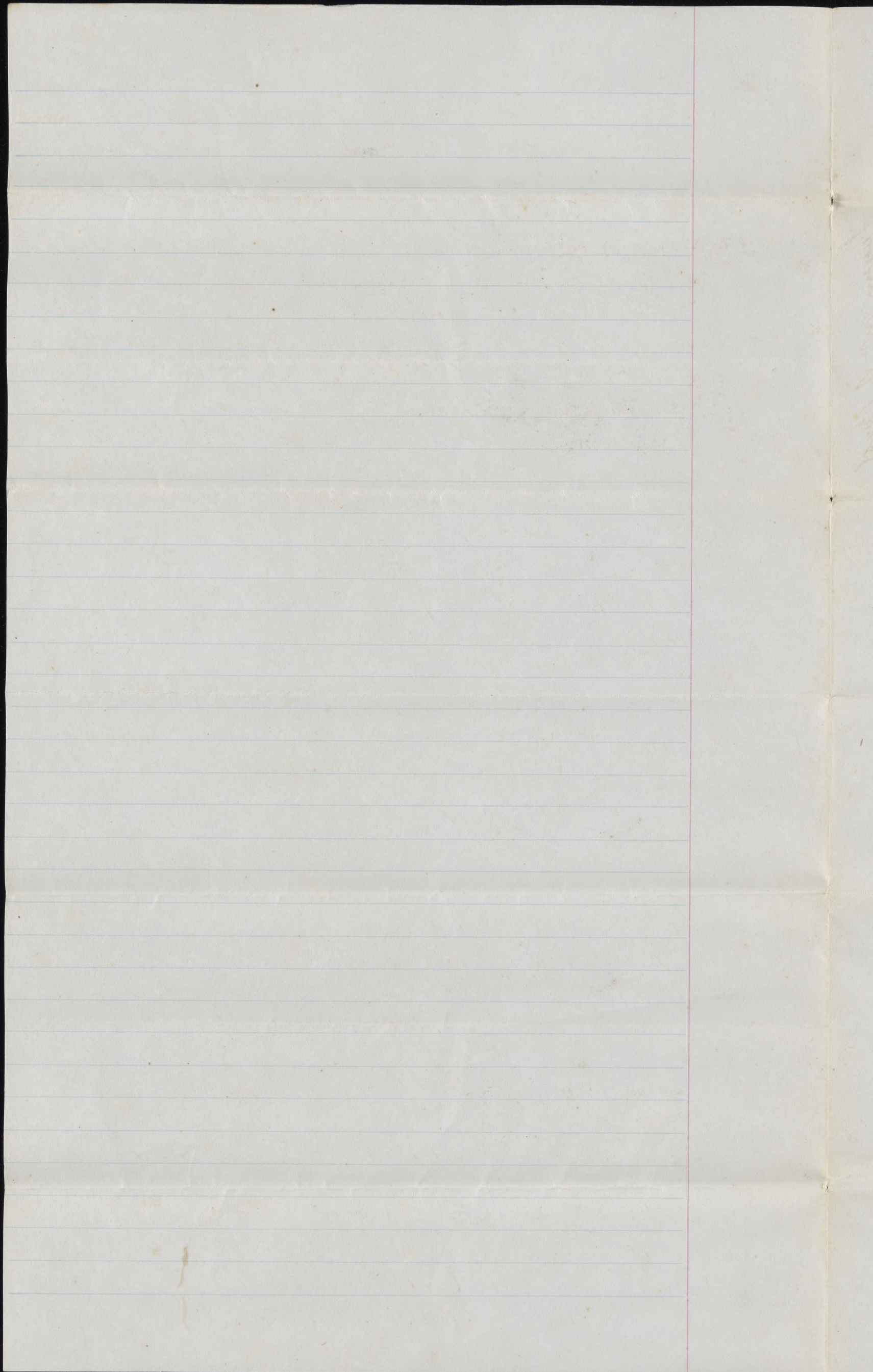
Upon the Petition of Hosea P. Pierce and other legal voters of Southborough to us presented for a new ~~new~~ town road to be laid out and constructed in front of the house of Hosea P. Pierce so as to straighten the present old road leading by the house of said Pierce; we the subscribers, Selectmen of Southborough, having viewed said premises and adjudged that the prayer of said Petitioners ought to be granted; and having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of the land over which we proposed and decided to lay out and locate a new town road; and having heard all persons interested who wished to be heard thereon, have laid out and located a new town way, for the use of the town as follows to wit: Beginning at the Mile Stone on the north line of the present old road, and nearly north of the house of said Pierce, thence  $N 74\frac{1}{2}^{\circ} E$  four rods and two links to an angle; thence  $N 72\frac{1}{2}^{\circ} E$  three rods and fourteen links to an angle; thence  $N 68\frac{1}{2}^{\circ} E$  three rods and twenty three links to a stone monument on the north line of the present old road. Said road is laid out by us two rods wide; and is located on the southerly side of said courses and bounds. The location on the southerly side is over old road; and on the northerly side the location is over land of said Pierce.

We have awarded to Hosea P. Pierce, in full compensation for all damages which he will sustain in consequence of the location and construction of said newly located road, nothing, he having claimed nothing.

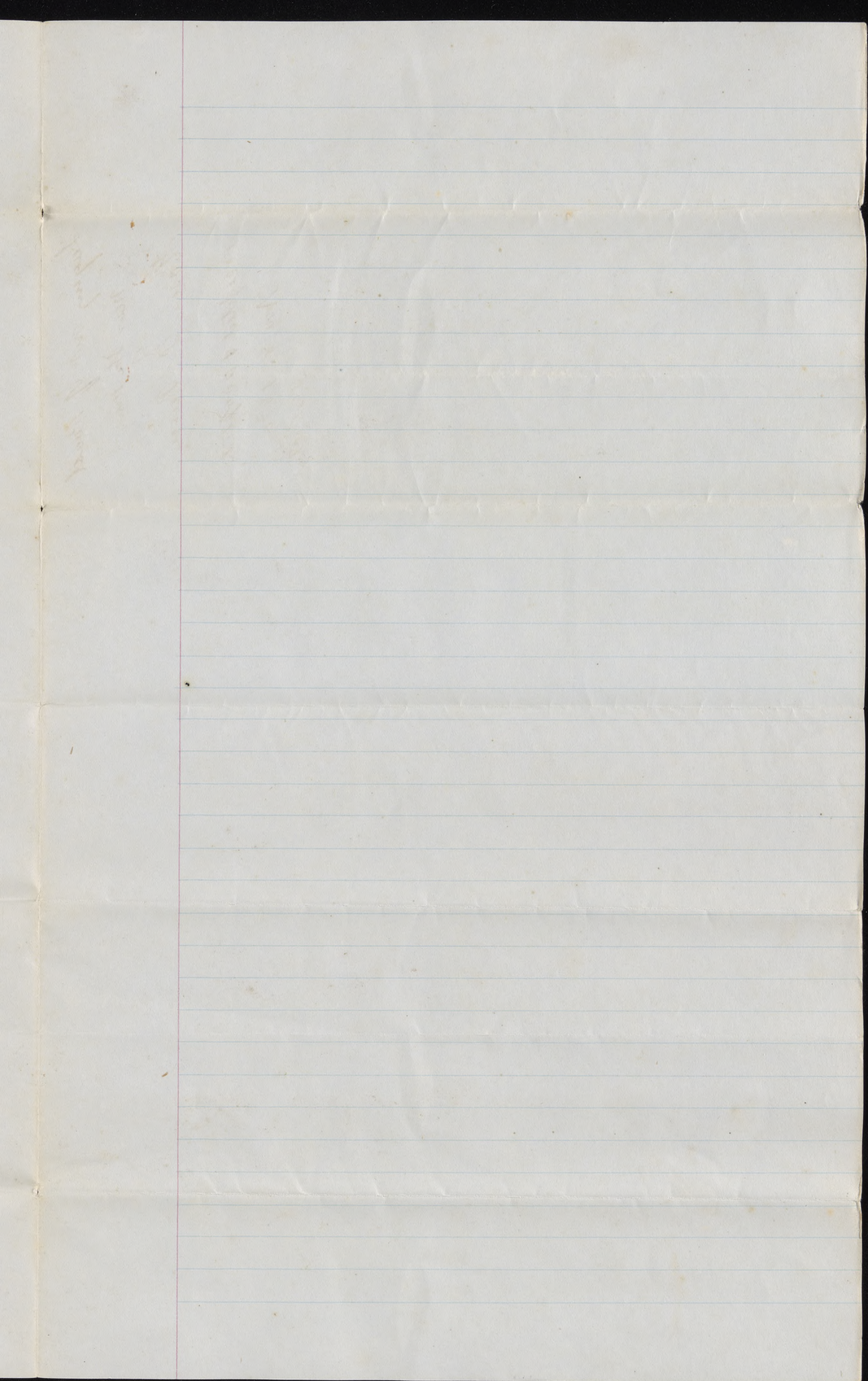
Said Road, as located by us, is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance; and when this Report is accepted and adopted by the town, said Road is forever after to be known as a public Town Way. Dated at Southborough this twenty eighth day of October 1870.

Curtis Newton }  
Caleb S. Williams } Selectmen  
F. A. Dorr } of Southborough











Laying out of Road

Near the Home

of  
Hosea P. Pierce

accepted & adopted <sup>vote</sup> to accept & adopt Nov 8. 70

Nov 8. 1870

F. Est. Clerk

COPIED.



Upon the Petition of John F. Wright and other legal voters of Southborough to us presented for a new town road to be laid out and constructed commencing at or near the house of W. B. Wood and running north-westerly to or near the round house so called, or near the Railroad, and thence easterly by the Railroad to or near a house occupied by Oliver Melcome, and southerly to the Road near the house of William O'Brien.<sup>2d</sup> We the Subscribers, Selectmen of Southborough having viewed said premises and adjudged that the prayer of said petitioners ought to be granted in part; and having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of the land over which we proposed and decided to lay out and locate a new town road; and having heard all persons interested who wished to be heard thereon, have laid out and located a new town way for the use of the town as follows viz: Beginning at the west end of the road leading to a point near the house of <sup>at a stone monument on the south line thereof</sup> W. B. Wood, thence  $S 78^{\circ} W$  four rods to a stone monument near the house of said Wood. The aforesaid piece of Road is laid out two rods wide; and is located on the northerly side of said course and bounds. - then commencing at the last named stone monument and running  $N 12^{\circ} W$  two rods to a stake and stone, thence ~~and~~ running  $N 35^{\circ} \frac{3}{4} W$  twenty six rods to an angle; thence  $N 3^{\circ} \frac{1}{2} W$  one rod and twelve links to an angle; thence  $N 22^{\circ} \frac{1}{2} E$  two rods one link to an angle; thence  $N 42^{\circ} \frac{3}{4} E$  two rods and ten links to a stake; thence  $N 42^{\circ} \frac{3}{4} E$  six rods twenty two links to an angle; thence  $N 56^{\circ} \frac{1}{2} E$  seven rods and twenty three links to the center of the Pump near the new house belonging to said Wood. Said road is laid out by us two rods wide, and is located on the westerly and northerly side of the courses and bounds aforesaid. Said road for the first thirty rods is over land of said Wood; the next rod and 12 links, the location on the southerly side is over land of Samuel Currier; and on the westerly and northerly side the location is over land of said Wood and land



of Timothy Shea. The rest of the road is located over land of said Currier except six rods and eight links at the east end of the road, which is over land of said Wood.

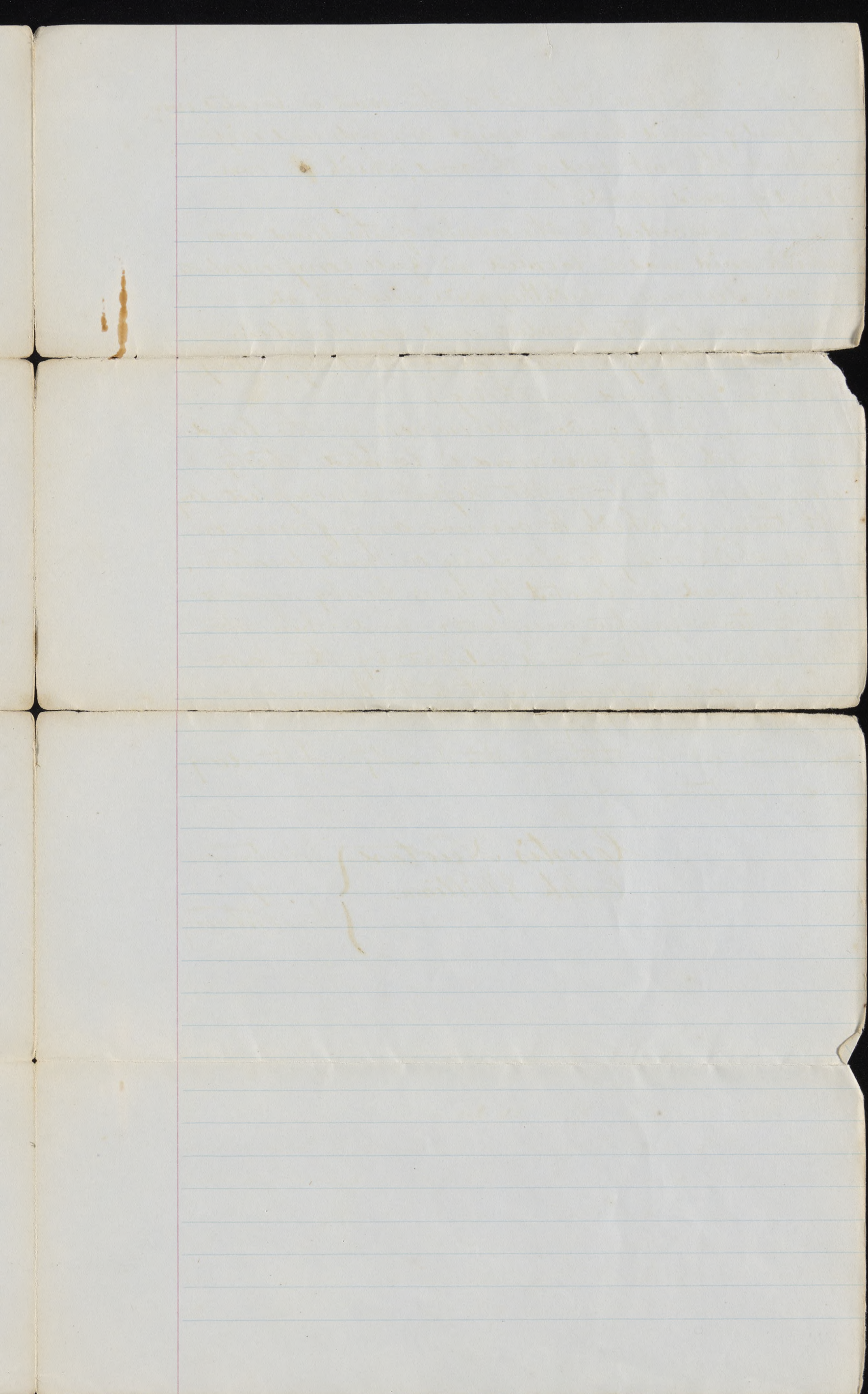
We have awarded to the owners of the land over which said road is located, in full compensation for all damages which they will sustain in consequence of the location and construction of said newly located road, nothing, they having claimed nothing.

And we have given the owners of the land over which said new road is located, thirty days from the time this Report is accepted by the town in which to remove any fences or trees which may be standing on said location. Said Road, as located by us, is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance; and when this Report is accepted and adopted by the town said Road is forever after to be known as a public Town Way.

Dated at Southborough this twenty eighth day of October 1870

Curtis Newton	} Selectmen of Southborough
Caleb Williams	
F. A. Dore	







Laying out of Road  
near Mrs. B. Woods.

Oct 28. 1870

Mr. S. J. W. to accept.

I accept -

COPIED.

N 12 W 2 rods  
N 41/2 W 3 rods  
N 30 W 21 rods



Know all men by these Presents: That, We, Frederick A Dorr, as principal, and Daniel W Mitchell and Forrest E Day as sureties, all of Southborough in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, are held and stand firmly bound and obliged unto the Inhabitants of said Southborough in the full and just sum of Five hundred dollars, to be paid unto the said Inhabitants or their successors, to which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our seals. Dated the nineteenth day of April eighteen hundred and seventy

The conditions of this obligation are such that, whereas the said Frederick A Dorr, at the last annual Meeting of said Inhabitants legally held for this among other purposes, was duly chosen one of the Constables of said Southborough for the year then ensuing; and did then and there accept of said office, and has been duly sworn to the faithful discharge of its duties. Now therefore if the said Frederick A Dorr shall and does well and truly and faithfully perform all the duties of said office, in the service of all civil processes which may be committed to him during the term thereof; and does in all other respects perform the duties of said office



according to the laws ~~of the laws~~ of the  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, then this  
obligation made in compliance with the Statutes  
of said Commonwealth, shall be wholly void,  
otherwise to be and remain in full force  
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Executed in presence of  
Hamilton S. Woods  
Isaac Day

F. A. Dorr  
B. W. Mitchell  
Forest E. Day.

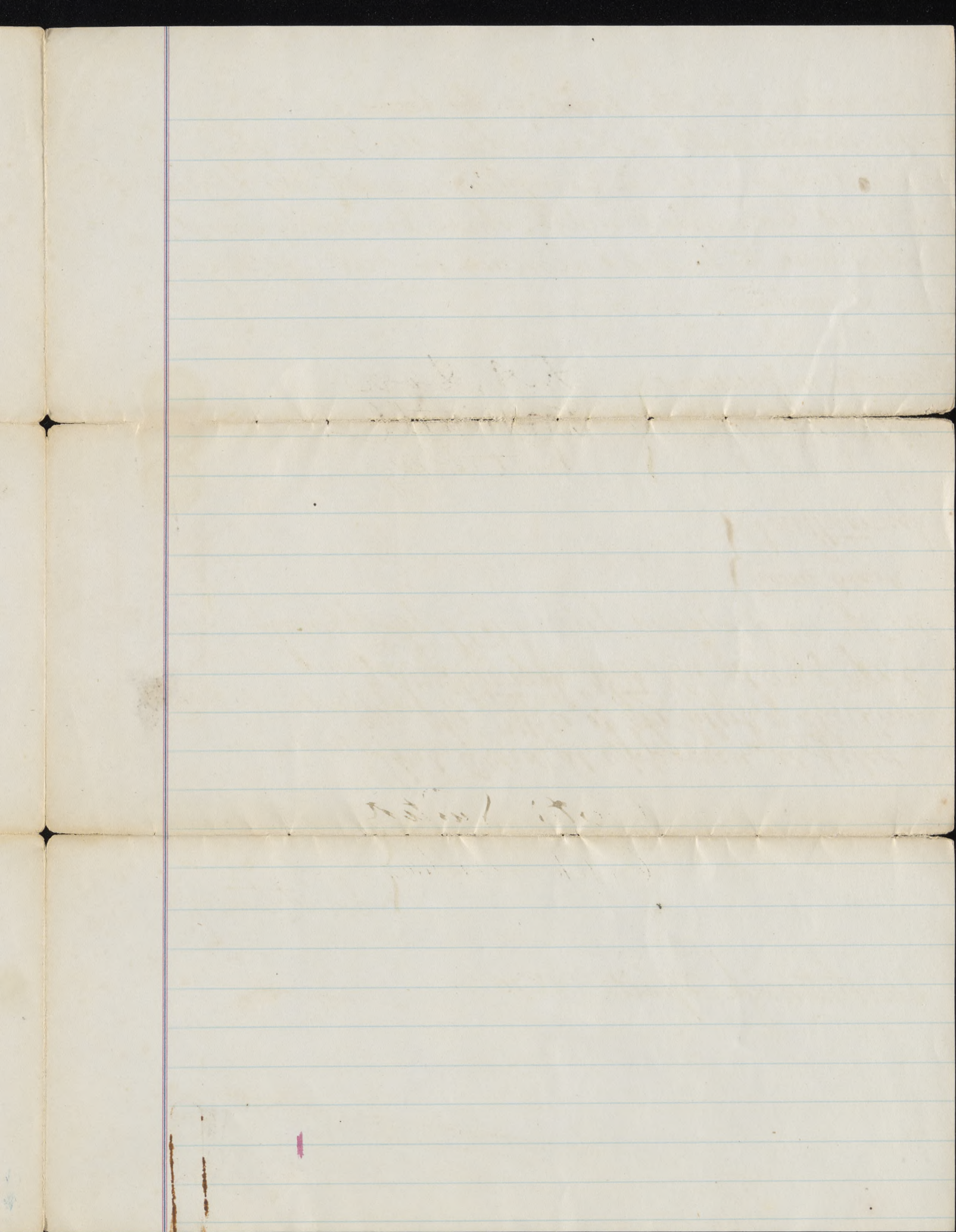


We the undersigned, Selectmen of Southborough  
of or said, having examined the above Bond as  
executed, hereby certify that it is satisfactory to us;  
and that we accordingly approve of the same

Curtis Norton } Selectmen  
Caleb S. Williams } of  
Southborough

Southborough April 1870







Constables Bond

Frederick A Dorr

Assistant of Southborough

April 19 1870

This Bond as approved, is filed  
in the Office of the Clerk of the Town  
of Southborough, this 19.<sup>th</sup> Day of April  
A.D. 1870

Franklin Estee } Town Clerk  
                              } Southborough

Henry  
Johnson

288 Ave.  
Hennery  
Cen. N.Y.



Southborough March 5 1890

The Highway Surveyers for the last year submit the following Report

Upon a careful examination of the Roads early last spring, your committee found many of them in a bad condition and in some places actually dangerous. the ~~most~~ repair most needed being in the East and West parts of the Town. ~~there~~ nearly six hundred dollars of the appropriation <sup>was</sup> expended in the months of April and May.

Your committee were fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. Warren Parmenter a practical and faithful Road maker. he worked steadily ~~upon the~~ on the Roads from early in April until near the first of November (excepting a few days in July) employing such and as much assistance as he could use to advantage.



dollar, ~~from~~ the proceeds from the sale of the towns horse  
~~being~~ bringing the amount expended very near your  
appropriation.

Respectfully Submitted

Joseph Burnett  
Sullivan T. Ball  
Walter W. Fay

Highway Surveyors



( 2000. )

Upwards of two thousand loads of gravel have been applied to your Roads during the season. Besides a considerable quantity of mixed gravel and loam. where gravel could not be easily ~~obtained~~ procured.

On consideration of the importance of having good gravel for our Roads, and of the high price which is sometimes charged for the same when brought by the load.

Your committee would recommend as a measure of prudence and economy, the purchase by the town of a small area in different sections as convenient to the Roads as possible.

Your committee desire to make a suitable acknowledgment to Mr George W. Goodnow for a large quantity of gravel furnished by him without charge. and to the Building Committee of the new Town Hall for Road material furnished while excavating for ~~this~~ building.

Your committee have during the year expended the sum of sixteen hundred and sixty nine  $\frac{7}{100}$  dollars as given in detail to your Auditor, with a credit of one hundred fifty



Highway Surveyors  
Report

1870

Accepted & adopted



Upon the Petition of Walter M Fay and other legal voters of Southborough to us presented for a new town road to be laid out and constructed commencing at the new road a few rods southerly of the house of Charles M Fay and running northerly by the house of Charles M Fay to the Road leading by the house of Adoniram J Newton: We the Subscribers Selectmen of Southborough, having viewed said premises and adjudged that the prayer of said petitioners ought to be granted in part: and having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of the land over which we proposed and decided to lay out and locate a new town road: and having heard all persons interested who wished to be heard thereon: have laid out and located a new town way for the use of the town as follows to wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of a lot of land belonging to heirs of Henry Arnold at a stone monument on the west line of the aforesaid old road leading by the house of C. M. Fay: thence S  $15\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W twenty two rods to a stone monument at the end of the wall on the west side of said old road.

Said road is laid out by us, two rods wide, and is located on the easterly side of said course and bounds. The location on the easterly side, is over old road: and on the westerly side the location is over land of Charles M Fay. We have <sup>awarded</sup> to Charles M Fay in full compensation for all damages which he will sustain in consequence of the location and construction of said newly located road, nothing, he having claimed nothing.

And we have given the owner of the land, over which said new road is located, thirty days from the time this report is accepted by the town, in which to remove any fences or wood



which may be standing on said location  
Said Road, as located by us, is hereby reported to  
the town for their acceptance; and when this Report  
is accepted and adopted by the town, said Road  
is forever after to be known as a public Town Way.

Dated at Southborough this twenty eighth day of  
October 1870

Curtis Newton } Selectmen  
Caleb S Williams }  
F. A. Dorr } Southborough



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Laying out of Road  
near House  
of  
C. W. M. Fay

Accepted & adopted

Nov 8, 1870

F. Esth, Town Clerk

COPIED.

Road by Walter Fay's

Nov 8, 70 accepted & adopted





Know all men by these Presents  
That We Frederick A Dorr as principal  
and Daniel W. Mitchell and Forrest E  
Day as sureties, all of Southborough in  
the County of Worcester and Commonwealth  
of Massachusetts, are held and stand firmly  
bound and obliged unto the Inhabitants  
of said Southborough, in the full and just  
sum of one thousand dollars, to be paid  
unto the said Inhabitants or their successors  
to which payment well and truly to  
be made, we bind ourselves our heirs  
Executors and Administrators firmly  
by these Presents, Sealed with our seals,  
Dated the sixteenth day of March A.D.  
eighteen hundred and seventy one.

The Conditions of this Obligation  
are such, that, whereas the said Frederick  
A Dorr, at the last annual Meeting of  
said Inhabitants, legally held for this  
among other purposes, was duly chosen  
one of the Constables of said Southborough  
for the year then ensuing, and has accepted  
of said office, and has been duly sworn to  
the faithful discharge of its duties.  
Now therefore if the said Frederick A Dorr

Frederick A Dorr



shall and does well and truly and faithfully  
perform all the duties of said office, in  
the service of all civil processes which  
may be committed to him during the  
term thereof, and does in all other  
respects perform the duties of said office,  
according to the laws of this common-  
wealth when <sup>his</sup> obligation shall be wholly void;  
otherwise to be and remain in full force  
and virtue.

Executed in presence of

George Lougee

J. W. Davis

F. A. Dorr

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Forrest & Day.



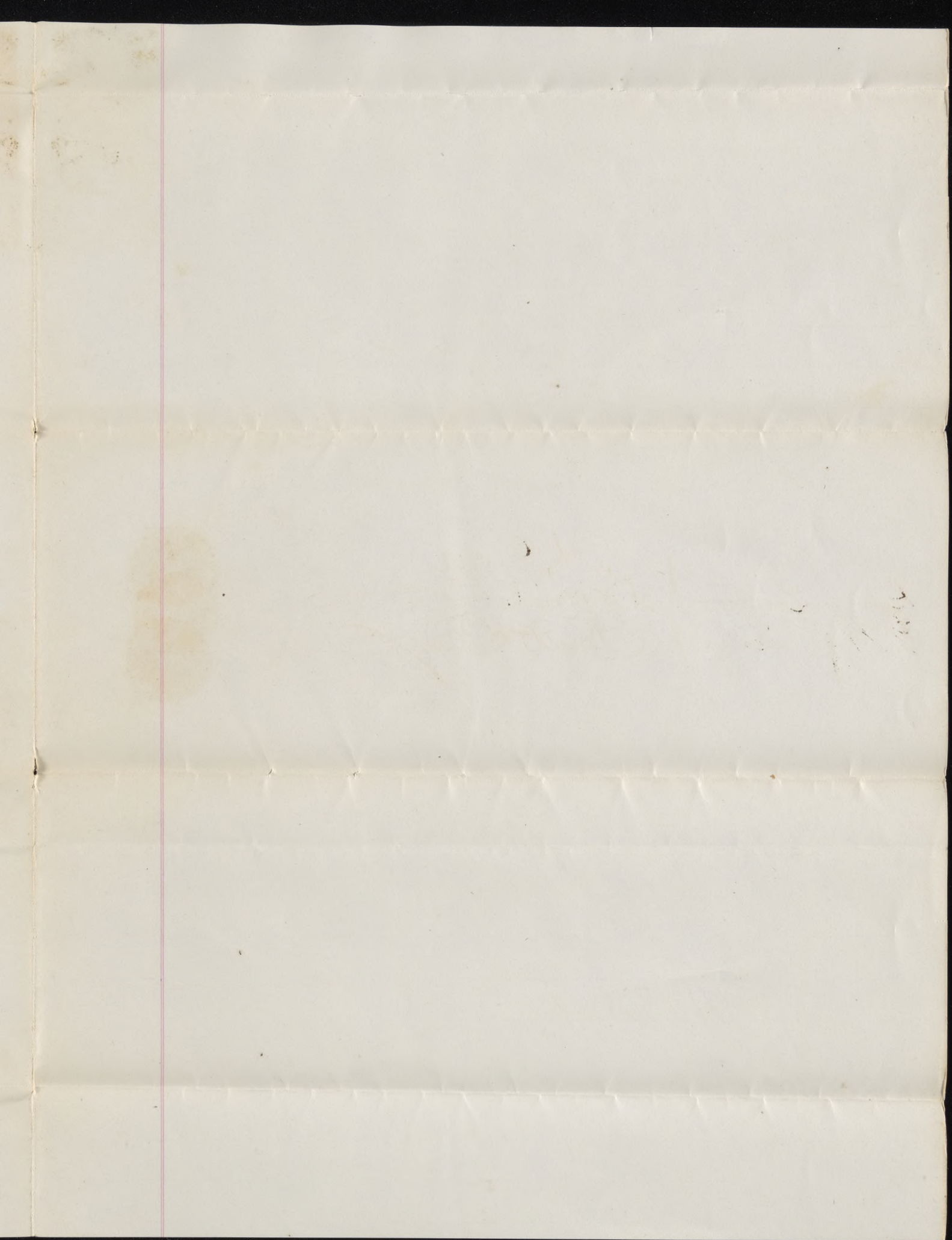
We the undersigned, Selectmen of Southborough  
aforesaid, having examined the above Bond, as  
executed, hereby certify that it is satisfactory  
to us, and that we accordingly approve of  
the same.

Dexter Newton  
W. H. Buck

Selectmen  
of  
Southborough

Southborough Mar. 16 1871







Constables Bond  
Frederick A. Dorr  
Inhabitants of Southborough  
Mar 1871

This Bond as approved is filed in the  
Office of the Clerk of the Town of  
Southborough this seventeenth day of  
March AD 1871

Franklin Estee Town Clerk



Southborough March 6 1871

The Highway Surveyors for 1870=71  
submit the following Report

They have taken up and  
relaid in a substantial manner  
seven Culverts. they have applied to  
the Road. Two thousand four hundred  
and seventy loads of good gravel  
besides a considerable quantity of inferior  
material when clean gravel could not  
be easily procured.

During the Spring of or Early  
Summer of 1870 they called the attention  
of the Selectmen, to a small hill of very  
superior road gravel. belonging to  
Mr Dan<sup>l</sup> P. Johnson, and recommended  
that it be purchased and secured  
for the use of the town, with  
Commendable promptness the Selectmen  
adopted the views of the Surveyors



and secured for the town. this large and unusually desirable lot of Road Material, of which between seven and eight hundred loads have already been applied, in places where it was much needed.

In this connection ~~that~~ your Committee desire to acknowledge the Courtesy and public Spirit, of Capt D. F. Pierce who readily and for a small consideration spared this lot to the town by granting a thoroughfare thro' his premises.

The thanks of the Town are also due to Mr J. A. Winchester for having given and applied with his own teams a considerable quantity of gravel in the Centre of the Town.

The Surveyor notes with pleasure that several of the Citizens have carefully removed the brush and small trees that were overhanging the roads for the great-benefit of Travellers and



at thereby saving the town much expense  
and they would respectfully recommend  
the citizens generally to follow so good  
an example.

Your Committee have  
Expended during the year the sum  
Sixteen hundred and ninety one <sup>44</sup>/100  
and have a Credit (for sale of horse)  
of sixty five dollars. leaving a balance  
of One hundred and twenty six <sup>44</sup>/100 dollars  
a part of which was expended late in  
the season for necessary repairs to protect  
the roads. and for leveling the ground  
given by Dr. Winchester

Your Committee would earnestly  
recommend that the town procure, if  
possible, some good gravel in the  
north part of the town. as the  
principal road in that section is  
much in need of that material.

All of which is Respectfully Submitted

For the Committee Joseph Bennett Chairman



Highway Surveyors  
Report

1871

Accepted & Adpts

Mar 6, 1871

F. Estlin



Upon the Petition of Alfred H. Jones  
and others, legal voters of Southborough, for laying  
out and locating a new Town Road -

Beginning at the County Road, in Fayville, leading  
by the house of said Jones, and at the South West  
corner of his house-lot, and running Easterly to land  
of the Boston, Clinton & Fitchburg Rail Road Company;  
thence Southerly to the Road, formerly the Boston  
& Worcester Turnpike, at a stake about six rods  
and twenty links east of the house lot of D. H. Brewer.

We, the subscribers, Road Commissioners of  
the Town of Southborough, having viewed said  
premises and adjudged that the prayer of said  
petitioners ought to be granted in part, and  
having given legal notice to the owners of the land  
over which we proposed to lay out and locate  
said new road; - and having heard all persons  
who expressed a wish to be heard thereon, - have  
laid out and located a new Town Road as follows,  
to wit;

Beginning at a Stone Monument, No. 1., at the  
County Road aforesaid, at the South West corner  
of the house lot of A. H. Jones - thence N.  $75\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$  E.,  
twenty nine rods and fourteen links, to Stone Mon-  
ument No. 2., at land belonging to the Boston,  
Clinton and Fitchburg Railroad Company. Said  
Road is laid out two and a half rods wide on  
the Southerly side of said course and bounds.

For the first twenty three and four fifths rods



the location on the Southerly side, fourteen feet wide, is over land of Curtis Newton - otherwise the location is over land of Dexter Newton.

We have allowed the owners of the land over which said new road is located thirty days after the adoption of this Report by the Town, in which to remove any fences or trees, which may be standing on said premises.

We have awarded to the owners of the land, over which said new road is located, the following sums of money, to be paid by the Town of Southborough, in full compensation for all damages, which they will sustain in consequence of the location and construction of said new road, viz;

To	Curtis Newton	Eighty dollars
"	Dexter Newton	One hundred & Six dollars

Said New Road, as laid out and located by us is hereby reported to the Town for their acceptance; - and when this Report is accepted and adopted by the Town, said new road is forever after to be known as a public Town Road.

M. P. Pierce  
W. B. Brock

Joseph Burnett

} Road  
Commissioners  
of the Town of  
Southborough

Southborough, Oct. 29. 1872.



Sept 12. 1880

Amherst  
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Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the purchase of the land for the proposed road. I am sorry to hear that you have been unable to obtain the necessary information from the local authorities. I will endeavor to assist you in this matter as far as possible. I have consulted with the local authorities and they have advised me that the land in question is owned by the State and is not available for purchase. I am sorry that I cannot give you a more favorable answer. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours truly,  
J. W. Smith

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Received & put on file in the  
Town Clerk's Office Oct 29. 1872.

J. Este. Town Clerk

Accepted by a vote of the Town Nov 5, 1872

J. Este. Town Clerk

COPIED.

Leaving out  
of the  
Road  
in  
July, 1872  
Road Commissioners



The committee appointed by the town to build a road in the east part of Southborough, beginning at or near a certain driveway by land of Wm P. Wilson, and running easterly by land of H. P. Pierce, eight rods more or less, to stake and stony by land of Frank Young, have attended to their duty and submit the following report:-

The committee, after due consultation, deemed it best in an economic point of view, to employ the towns regular road committee, to build this road. They having a team and tools central, and a measure of experience of which this committee could not boast. In a word we substituted skilled labor for labor unskilled. Accordingly the Highway Surveyors were employed and they have discharged their duty acceptably to this committee. A large quantity of road material has been moved and applied to the highway. Near the lower terminus the road has been raised nearly if not quite two feet (2)



So as to present a barrier to the waters  
that have been wont to gather here and to  
rush headlong across and down this part  
of the public way, to the damage of said  
way and the general travel. The explanation  
of this fact. It may be stated that the land  
on the north side presents an inclined  
plane or water-shed. So that surplus  
waters, from a large area, always gather  
at this point. To accommodate them  
an ample culvert has been built  
beneath said road.

The whole expense of building,  
as per bill of Highway Surveyors, is one  
hundred and ninety five dollars and  
seventy eight cents. (\$195.78).

Respectfully Submitted  
G. W. Goodnow  
H. P. Pierce  
Richardson Goodnow.



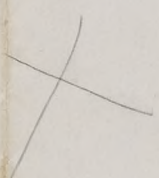
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Report of Committee  
to  
Build Road near  
the House of,  
Hona P. Purser

accepted & adopted  
Mar 4, 1872

J. Est. Town Clerk





Upon the Petition of Allen D Howe and other legal voters of Southborough, to us presented, for a new town road to be laid out and located, in Fayville in said town, beginning at the County Road, leading by the House of A H Jones, and near the southeast corner of a lot of land belonging to Daniel Ruggles: thence westerly about fifteen rods, and thence southerly to the town road formerly the Boston and Worcester Turnpike, at a point near the southeast corner of a lot of land belonging to one Macker.

We, the subscribers, Road Commissioners of the town of Southborough, having viewed said lot, and adjudged that the prayer of said petitioners ought to be granted, and having given legal notice to the owners of the land over which we proposed to lay out and locate said new road, and having heard all persons who expressed a wish to be heard thereon, have laid out and located a new town road, for the use of the town, as follows. viz Beginning at said County Road, at the southeast corner of a lot of land belonging to Daniel Ruggles and at a Stone Monument No 1: thence S 85° W fourteen rods and twenty three links to stone monument No 2, then beginning at stone monument No 3 which stands two rods distant from said monument No 2, and at a bearing from monument No 2 S 10° 20' W and continuing S 10° 20' W four rods two and one half links to stone monument No 4: thence S 11° W forty two rods and nineteen links to said Road formerly the Boston and Worcester Turnpike at Stone Monument No 5, which stands five feet ten inches east of the southeast corner of a lot of land belonging to one Macker. From monument No 1 to monument No 2 said new road is laid out two rods wide on the southerly side of said Metes and bounds. From Monument No 3 to



monument 5 said new road is laid out two rods wide on the easterly side of said metes and bounds. From monument No 1 to monument No 2, and from monument No 3 to monument No 4 the location is all over land of Allen D Howe. From monument No 4, to monument No 5 the location on the westerly side is over land of Curtis Newton, and on the easterly side the location, for the distance of thirty eight rods and seven links, is over land of Curtis Newton, and the remaining four rods and twelve links the location is over land of Dexter Newton.

We have allowed the owners of the land over which said new road is located thirty days after the adoption of this Report by the town, in which to remove any fences or trees which may be standing on said premises.

We have awarded to the owners of the land over which said new road is located the following sums of money to be paid by the town of Southborough, in full compensation for all damages which they will sustain in consequence of the location and construction of said new road viz

To Allen D Howe Thirty eight dollars

To Curtis Newton Eighty five dollars

To Dexter Newton Nothing, he having waived all claim for damages.

Said New Road as laid out and located by us, is hereby reported to the town for their acceptance, and when this Report is accepted and adopted by the town, said new road is forever after to be known as a public Town Way

Southborough October 26 1874

Joseph Burnett } Road Commissioners  
Curtis Newton } of the town of  
Samuel Taft } Southborough



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Report of Road Commissioners  
Oct 26 1874  
in Fayville

COPIED.



Southboro April 7<sup>th</sup> 1877

Having been notified by Francis Fisher that  
he would not serve as High Way surveyor.  
The selectmen have appointed Mr James  
Williams - in said district No. 11 This seventh  
day of April 1877

at - J. Este Town Clerk

G. A. Winchester }  
C. B. Lawin } Selectmen  
W. Hammond }



Appointments of  
Highway Surveyors  
1877

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely a list of names and locations.]*

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